

## **Adverse Weather Procedure**

TPS will make every effort to keep the School open and operating normally during periods of inclement weather.

The main criterion for the Headmaster deciding to close the School is whether the minibus routes are operating, as this provides a good indication of the general status of main routes, and whether the main site and the Hub@51 can be made safe. Should the School close, this will be communicated to pupils and parents as close as possible to 7.00 am.

In some situations, the decision may be taken the night before, although this is less likely as the School will wish to be sure that they absolutely must close before deciding to do so. If conditions are uncertain, but the School remains open, this will also be notified as close as possible to 7.00 am but, in the absence of notification of closure, parents should assume that the School will be open.

Information will be notified using the following means, in order of issue:

- Clarion text message
- Banner on School website
- Twitter (@twickenhamprep)
- Facebook (Twickenham Preparatory School)

Subsequent daily or more frequent updates, including notification of the School reopening, will be provided using all these means. Parents should advise TPS of any changes to mobile telephone and email details.

Any parents who currently opt out of Clarion text messaging can opt back in by contacting the school office.

In the event of adverse weather occurring during the school day, a decision may be taken to offer the opportunity for parents to collect the children early, to address concerns about travel in deteriorating conditions. Any children that cannot be collected will be supervised through to the end of the school day.